

# Package ‘yamlet’

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**Description** A YAML-based

mechanism for working with table metadata. Supports compact syntax for creating, modifying, viewing, exporting, importing, displaying, and plotting metadata coded as column attributes. The ‘yamlet’ dialect is valid ‘YAML’ with defaults and conventions chosen to improve readability.  
See ?yamlet, ?decorate.data.frame and ?modify.default.

See ?read\_yamlet ?write\_yamlet, ?io\_csv, and ?ggplot.decorated.

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**as.data.frame.yamlet** *Coerce Yamlet to Data Frame*

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### Description

Coerces yamlet to data.frame. Columns are constructed in the order that attributes are encountered, beginning with top-level 'item' (default). Cell contents are calculated using `getOption('yamlet_cell_value', yamlet::cell_value)` to which is passed the cell-specific metadata as well as `sep` and `def`.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'yamlet'
as.data.frame(
  x,
  row.names = "item",
  optional = FALSE,
  sep = "\n",
  def = ": ",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	yamlet; see <a href="#">decorations</a> and <a href="#">read_yamlet</a>
<code>row.names</code>	a name for a column to hold top-level names, or NULL to represent these as <code>row.names</code>
<code>optional</code>	if TRUE and <code>row.names</code> is NULL, <code>row.names</code> will not be set
<code>sep</code>	separator for multiple items within an attribute
<code>def</code>	definition string: separator between items and their (preceding) names, if any
<code>...</code>	ignored

### Value

`data.frame`

## See Also

Other interface: `canonical.decorated()`, `classified.data.frame()`, `decorate.character()`, `decorate.data.frame()`, `desolve.decorated()`, `ggplot.decorated()`, `io_csv.character()`, `io_csv.data.frame()`, `io_res.character()`, `io_table.character()`, `io_table.data.frame()`, `io_yamlet.character()`, `io_yamlet.data.frame()`, `is_parseable.default()`, `mimic.default()`, `modify.default()`, `promote.list()`, `read_yamlet()`, `resolve.decorated()`, `selected.default()`, `write_yamlet()`

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)

file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.yaml')
file %>% read_yamlet %>% explicit_guide %>% as.data.frame
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','phenobarb.csv')

# phenobarb.yaml has conditional metadata that benefits
# from interpretation in the context of the data itself.
# thus, we
# * read the whole 'decorated' object (not just yaml),
# * resolve the 'guide' ambiguity,
# extract the best-guess decorations, and
# convert to data.frame.

file %>% io_csv %>% resolve %>% decorations %>% as.data.frame
```

`as.integer.classified` *Coerce Classified to Integer*

## Description

Coerces `classified` to `integer`. Result is like `as.integer(as.numeric(x)) + offset` but has a codelist giving original values. If you need a simple `integer`, consider coercing first to `numeric`.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'classified'
as.integer(x, offset = 0L, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	classified, see <code>classified</code>
<code>offset</code>	an <code>integer</code> value to add to intermediate result
<code>...</code>	ignored

## Value

`integer`

**See Also**

Other classified: [\[.classified\(\)](#), [\[<.classified\(\)](#), [\[\[.classified\(\)](#), [\[\[\[<.classified\(\)](#),  
[c.classified\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [classified.default\(\)](#), [classified\(\)](#), [unclassified.classified\(\)](#)  
[unclassified.data.frame\(\)](#), [unclassified\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
library(magrittr)
classified(c('knife', 'fork', 'spoon'))
classified(c('knife', 'fork', 'spoon')) %>% as.numeric
classified(c('knife', 'fork', 'spoon')) %>% as.integer
classified(c('knife', 'fork', 'spoon')) %>% as.integer(-1)
```

canonical.decorated     *Sort Decorations*

**Description**

Enforces canonical attribute order for class 'decorated'. Set of default\_keys will be augmented with all observed attribute names and will be expanded or reduced as necessary for each data item.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated'
canonical(
  x,
  default_keys = getOption("yamlet_default_keys", list("label", "guide")),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	decorated
default_keys	attribute names in preferred order
...	ignored

**Value**

decorated

**See Also**

Other canonical: [canonical.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical\(\)](#)

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#),  
[decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#),  
[io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#),  
[io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#),  
[modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#),  
[write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)
x <- data.frame(x = 1, y = 1, z = factor('a'))
x %>% decorate(
  x: [ guide: mm, desc: this, label: foo ]
  "y": [ guide: bar, desc: other ]
)

decorations(x)
decorations(canonical(x))
canonical(decorations(x))
```

canonical.yamlet      *Sort Yamlet*

## Description

Enforces canonical attribute order for class 'yamlet'. Set of default\_keys will be augmented with all observed attribute names and will be expanded or reduced as necessary for each data item.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'yamlet'
canonical(
  x,
  default_keys = getOption("yamlet_default_keys", list("label", "guide")),
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

x	yamlet
default_keys	attribute names in preferred order
...	ignored

## Value

decorated

## See Also

Other canonical: [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [canonical\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)
x <- data.frame(x = 1, y = 1, z = factor('a'))
x %>% decorate(
  x: [ guide: mm, desc: this, label: foo ]
  "y": [ guide: bar, desc: other ]
)
```

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```
decorations(x)
decorations(canonical(x))
canonical(decorations(x))
write_yamlet(x)
```

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**classified.default**      *Create Classified by Default*

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## Description

Creates a factor of subclass 'classified', for which there are attribute-preserving methods. In particular, `classified` has a `codelist` attribute indicating the origin of its levels: it is constructed from the `codelist` attribute of `x` if available, or from '`levels`' and '`labels`' by default. Unlike the case for [factor](#), length of labels cannot be one (i.e., different from length of levels).

## Usage

```
## Default S3 method:
classified(
  x = character(),
  levels,
  labels = levels,
  exclude = NA,
  ordered = is.ordered(x),
  nmax = NA,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a>
<code>levels</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a>
<code>labels</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a> , must have same length as <code>levels</code>
<code>exclude</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a>
<code>ordered</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a>
<code>nmax</code>	see <a href="#">factor</a>
<code>...</code>	ignored

## Value

'classified' 'factor'

## See Also

Other `classified`: [\[.classified\(\)](#), [\[<-.classified\(\)](#), [\[\[.classified\(\)](#), [\[\[<-.classified\(\)](#),  
[as.integer.classified\(\)](#), [c.classified\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [classified\(\)](#), [unclassified.classif](#)  
[unclassified.data.frame\(\)](#), [unclassified\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
classified(1:3)
classified(1:3, levels = 4:6)
classified(1:3, levels = 1:3)
classified(1:3, labels = letters[1:3])
```

decorate.character      *Decorate Character*

## Description

Treats x as a file path. By default, metadata is sought from a file with the same base but the 'yaml' extension.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'character'
decorate(
  x,
  meta = NULL,
  ...,
  read = getOption("yamlet_import", as.csv),
  ext = getOption("yamlet_extension", ".yaml")
)
```

## Arguments

x	file path for table data
meta	file path for corresponding yamlet metadata, or a yamlet object
...	passed to read (if accepted) and to <a href="#">as_yamlet.character</a>
read	function or function name for reading x
ext	file extension for metadata file, if relevant

## Value

class 'decorated' 'data.frame'

## See Also

Other decorate: [as\\_decorated.default\(\)](#), [as\\_decorated\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.list\(\)](#), [decorate\(\)](#), [decorations.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorations\(\)](#), [redecorate\(\)](#)

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#), [modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#), [write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```

file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
meta <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.yaml')
identical(
  decorate(file),
  decorate(file, meta)
)
identical(
  decorate(file, meta = as_yamlet(meta)),
  decorate(file, meta = meta)
)
a <- decorate(file)
b <- resolve(decorate(file))
c <- resolve(decorate(
  file,
  read = read.table,
  quote = """",
  as.is = FALSE,
  sep = ',',
  header = TRUE,
  na.strings = c('', '\\s', '.', 'NA'),
  strip.white = TRUE,
  check.names = FALSE
))
d <- decorate(
  file,
  read = read.table,
  quote = """",
  as.is = FALSE,
  sep = ',',
  header = TRUE,
  na.strings = c('', '\\s', '.', 'NA'),
  strip.white = TRUE,
  check.names = FALSE
)

# Importantly, b and c are identical with respect to factors
cbind(
  `as.is/!resolve` = sapply(a, class), # no factors
  `as.is/resolve` = sapply(b, class), # factors made during decoration
  `!as.is/resolve` = sapply(c, class), # factors made twice!
  `!as.is/!resolve` = sapply(d, class) # factors made during read
)
str(a$Smoke)
str(b$Smoke)
str(c$Smoke)
str(d$Smoke)
levels(c$Creatinine)
levels(d$Creatinine) # level detail retained as 'guide'

```

## Description

Decorates a data.frame. Expects metadata in yamlet format, and loads it onto columns as attributes.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
decorate(x, meta = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	data.frame
meta	file path for corresponding yaml metadata, or a yamlet; an attempt will be made to guess the file path if x has a 'source' attribute
...	passed to <code>decorate.list</code>

## Value

class 'decorated' 'data.frame'

## See Also

`decorate.list`

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#), [modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#), [write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

Other decorate: [as\\_decorated.default\(\)](#), [as\\_decorated\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.list\(\)](#), [decorate\(\)](#), [decoration.data.frame\(\)](#), [decoration\(\)](#), [redecorate\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(csv)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
meta <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.yaml')
a <- decorate(as.csv(file))
b <- decorate(as.csv(file), meta = as_yamlet(meta))
c <- decorate(as.csv(file), meta = meta)
d <- decorate(as.csv(file), meta = file)
e <- resolve(decorate(as.csv(file)))

# Most import methods are equivalent.
identical(a, b)
identical(a, c)
identical(a, d)
identical(a, e)
```

**decorations.data.frame***Retrieve Decorations for Data Frame*

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**Description**

Retrieve the decorations of a data.frame; i.e., the metadata used to decorate it. Returns a list with same names as the data.frame. By default, 'class' and 'level' attributes are excluded from the result, as you likely don't want to manipulate these independently.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
decoration(
  x,
  ...,
  exclude_attr = getOption("yamlet_exclude_attr", c("class", "levels"))
)
```

**Arguments**

x	data.frame
...	optional unquoted column names to limit output (passed to <a href="#">select</a> )
exclude_attr	attributes to remove from the result

**Value**

named list of class 'yamlet'

**See Also**

Other decorate: [as\\_decorated.default\(\)](#), [as\\_decorated\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.list\(\)](#), [decorate\(\)](#), [decorations\(\)](#), [redecorate\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
library(csv)
library(magrittr)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata', 'quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(as.csv(file))[,c('conc', 'Race')]
y <- decorate(as.csv(file))[,c('conc', 'Race')] %>% resolve
decorations(x)
decorations(y)
decorations(y, conc)
decorations(y, exclude_attr = NULL)
```

`desolve.decorated`      *Desolve Guide for Decorated*

## Description

Un-resolves explicit usage of default key 'guide' to implicit usage for decorated class. Simply calls `unclassified` followed by `implicit_guide`.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated'
desolve(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	object
<code>...</code>	passed to <code>implicit_guide</code> and <code>classified</code>

## Value

decorated

## See Also

Other resolve: `desolve()`, `resolve.decorated()`, `resolve()`

Other interface: `as.data.frame.yamlet()`, `canonical.decorated()`, `classified.data.frame()`, `decorate.character()`, `decorate.data.frame()`, `ggplot.decorated()`, `io_csv.character()`, `io_csv.data.frame()`, `io_res.character()`, `io_table.character()`, `io_table.data.frame()`, `io_yamlet.character()`, `io_yamlet.data.frame()`, `is_parseable.default()`, `mimic.default()`, `modify.default()`, `promote.list()`, `read_yamlet()`, `resolve.decorated()`, `selected.default()`, `write_yamlet()`

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(file)
x %>% resolve %>% decorations(Age, glyco, Race)
x %>% resolve(glyco, Race) %>% desolve %>% decorations(Age, glyco, Race)
```

`ggplot.decorated`      *Create a New ggplot for a Decorated Data Frame*

## Description

Creates a new ggplot object for a decorated data.frame. This is the `ggplot()` method for class 'decorated'. It creates a ggplot object using the default method, but reclassifies it as 'decorated\_ggplot' so that a custom print method is invoked; see `print.decorated_ggplot`.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated'
ggplot(data, ...)
```

## Arguments

data	decorated, see <a href="#">decorate</a>
...	passed to <a href="#">ggplot</a>

## Details

This approach is similar to but more flexible than the method for [ggready](#). For finer control, you can switch between 'data.frame' and 'decorated' using [as\\_decorated](#) (supplies null decorations) and [as.data.frame](#) (preserves decorations).

## Value

return value like [ggplot](#) but inheriting 'decorated\_ggplot'

## See Also

[decorate](#) [resolve](#) [ggready](#)  
 Other decorated\_ggplot: [ggplot\\_build.decorated\\_ggplot\(\)](#), [print.decorated\\_ggplot\(\)](#)  
 Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#),  
[decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#),  
[io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#),  
[io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#),  
[modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#),  
[write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
library(magrittr)
# par.ask = FALSE)

x <- decorate(file)
x %>% filter(!is.na(conc))

# Manipulate class to switch among ggplot methods.
class(x)
class(data.frame(x))
class(as_decorated(data.frame(x)))

# The bare data.frame gives boring labels and unordered groups.
map <- aes(x = time, y = conc, color = Heart)
data.frame(x) %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()

# Decorated data.frame uses supplied labels.
# Notice CHF levels are still not ordered.
x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()
```

```

# We can resolve guide for a chance to enrich the output with units.
# Notice CHF levels are now ordered.
x %>% resolve
suppressWarnings( # because this complains for columns with no units
  x <- modify(x, title = paste0(label, '\n(', units, ')'))
)
x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()

# Or something fancier.
x %>% modify(conc, title = 'conc_serum. (mg*L^-1.)')
x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()

# The y-axis title is deliberately given in spork syntax for elegant coercion:
library(spork)
x %>% modify(conc, expression = as.expression(as_plotmath(as_spork(title))))
x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()
# Add a fancier label for Heart, and facet by a factor:
x %>% modify(Heart, expression = as.expression(as_plotmath(as_spork('CHF^\\*'))))
x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point() + facet_wrap(~Creatinine)

# ggreedy handles the units and plotmath implicitly for a 'standard' display:
x %>% ggreedy %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point() + facet_wrap(~Creatinine)

# Notice that instead of over-writing the label
# attribute, we are creating a stack of label
# substitutes (title, expression) so that
# label is still available as an argument
# if we want to try something else. The
# print method by default looks for all of these.
# Precedence is expression, title, label, column name.
# Precedence can be controlled using
# options(decorated_ggplot_search = c(a, b, ...)).

# Here we try a dataset with conditional labels and units.

file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','phenobarb.csv')
x <- file %>% decorate %>% resolve
# Note that value has two elements for label and guide.
x %>% decorations(value)

# The print method defaults to the first, with warning.
map <- aes(x = time, y = value, color = event)

x %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()

# If we subset appropriately, the relevant value is substituted.
x %>% filter(event == 'conc') %>% ggplot(map) + geom_point()

x %>% filter(event == 'conc') %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = time, y = value, color = ApgarInd)) + geom_point()

x %>% filter(event == 'dose') %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = time, y = value, color = Wt)) +
  geom_point() +
  scale_y_log10() +
  scale_color_gradientn(colours = rainbow(4))

```

**io\_csv***Import and Export Documented Tables as CSV***Description**

Imports or exports documented tables as comma-separated variable. Generic, with methods that extend [as.csv](#).

**Usage**

```
io_csv(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	object
...	passed arguments

**Value**

See methods.

**See Also**

Other io: [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_res\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_table\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.yamlet\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(file)
out <- file.path(tempdir(), 'out.csv')
foo <- io_csv(x, out)
identical(out, foo)
y <- io_csv(foo)
attr(x, 'source') <- NULL
attr(y, 'source') <- NULL
identical(x, y) # lossless 'round-trip'
```

**io\_table***Import and Export Documented Tables***Description**

Imports or exports documented tables. Generic, with methods that extend [read.table](#) and [write.table](#).

**Usage**

```
io_table(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	object
...	passed arguments

**Value**

See methods.

**See Also**

Other io: [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_csv\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_res\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.yamlet\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(file)
out <- file.path(tempdir(), 'out.tab')
foo <- io_table(x, out)
identical(out, foo)
y <- io_table(foo, as.is = TRUE)
attr(x, 'source') <- NULL
rownames(x) <- NULL
rownames(y) <- NULL
identical(x, y) # lossless 'round-trip'
```

**Description**

Preserves class for 'decorated' during merge().

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated'
merge(x, y, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	decorated
y	passed to <a href="#">merge</a>
...	passed to <a href="#">merge</a>

**Value**

class 'decorated' 'data.frame'

**See Also**

Other decorated: [\[.decorated\(\)](#), [\[<-.decorated\(\)](#), [\[\[.decorated\(\)](#), [\[\[<-.decorated\(\)](#), [names<-.decorated\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)
library(dplyr)
x <- data.frame(foo = 1, bar = 2)
x %>% decorate('foo: [distance, mm]')
x %>% decorate('bar: [height, mm]')
class(merge(x,x))
```

**mimic.default**

*Try To Look Like Another Equal-length Variable*

## Description

Tries to mimic another vector or factor. If meaningful and possible, x acquires a guide attribute with labels from corresponding values in y. Any codelist attribute is removed. No guide is created for zero-length x. If x is a factor, unused codes are removed from codelist.

## Usage

```
## Default S3 method:
mimic(x, y = x, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	vector-like
y	vector-like, same length as x
...	ignored arguments

## Value

same class as x

## See Also

Other mimic: [mimic.classified\(\)](#), [mimic\(\)](#)  
 Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#),  
[decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#),  
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[modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#),  
[write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
example(mimic.classified)
```

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**modify.default***Modify Attributes of Indicated Components by Default*

---

**Description**

Modifies the attributes of each indicated element (all elements by default). Tries to assign the value of an expression to the supplied label, with existing attributes and the object itself(.) available as arguments. Gives a warning if the supplied label is considered reserved. Intends to support anything with one or more non-empty names.

**Usage**

```
## Default S3 method:
modify(
  x,
  ...,
  .reserved = getOption("yamlet_modify_reserved", c("class", "levels", "labels",
    "names"))
)
```

**Arguments**

x	object
...	indicated columns, or name-value pairs
.reserved	reserved labels that warn on assignment

**Details**

The name of the component itself is available during assignments as attribute 'name' (any pre-existing attribute 'name' is temporarily masked). After all assignments are complete, the value of 'name' is enforced at the object level. Thus, modify expressions can modify component names.

As currently implemented, the expression is evaluated by [eval\\_tidy](#), with attributes supplied as the data argument. Thus, names in the expression may be disambiguated, e.g. with .data. See examples.

**Value**

same class as x

**See Also**

Other modify: [modify\(\)](#), [named\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#), [selected\(\)](#)

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#), [write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```

library(magrittr)
library(dplyr)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(file)

# modify selected columns
x %>>% modify(title = paste(label, '(', guide, ')'), time)
x %>% select(time, conc) %>% decorations

# modify (almost) all columns
x %>>% modify(title = paste(label, '(', guide, ')'), -Subject)
x %>% select(time, conc) %>% decorations

# use column itself
x %>>% modify(`defined values` = sum(!is.na(.)))
x %>% select(time) %>% decorations

# rename column
x %>>% modify(time, name = label)
names(x)

# warn if assignment fails
## Not run:
\donttest{
x %>>% modify(title = foo, time)
}
## End(Not run)
# support lists
list(a = 1, b = 1:10, c = letters) %>%
modify(length = length(.), b:c)

x %>>% select(Subject) %>% modify(label = NULL, `defined values` = NULL)

# distinguish data and environment
location <- 'environment'
x %>% modify(where = location) %>% decorations
x %>% modify(where = .env$location) %>% decorations
## Not run:
\donttest{
x%>% modify(where = .data$location) %>% decorations
}
## End(Not run)
x %>% modify(location = 'attributes', where = location) %>% decorations
x %>% modify(location = 'attributes', where = .data$location) %>% decorations

```

**print.decorated\_ggplot**

*Substitute Expressions, Titles and Labels in ggplots*

## Description

At time of printing, default labels will be used as column names to search data for more meaningful labels, taking first available from attributes with names in `search`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated_ggplot'
print(
  x,
  ...
  search = getOption("decorated_ggplot_search", c("expression", "title", "label"))
)
```

**Arguments**

x	class 'decorated_ggplot' from <a href="#">ggplot.decorated</a>
...	passed arguments
search	attribute names from which to seek label substitutes

**Value**

see [print.ggplot](#)

**See Also**

Other decorated\_ggplot: [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot\\_build.decorated\\_ggplot\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
example(ggplot.decorated)
```

---

read\_yamlet

*Read Yamlet*

---

**Description**

Reads yamlet from file. Similar to [io\\_yamlet.character](#) but also reads text fragments.

**Usage**

```
read_yamlet(
  x,
  ...
  default_keys = getOption("yamlet_default_keys", list("label", "guide"))
)
```

**Arguments**

x	file path for yamlet, or vector of yamlet in storage syntax
...	passed to <a href="#">as_yamlet</a>
default_keys	character: default keys for the first n anonymous members of each element

**Value**

yamlet: a named list with default keys applied

**See Also**

[decorate.data.frame](#)

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#), [modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#), [write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
library(csv)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
meta <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.yaml')
x <- as.csv(file)
y <- read_yamlet(meta)
x <- decorate(x, meta = y)
identical(x, decorate(file))
```

**redecorate**

*Redecorate a List-like Object*

**Description**

Redecorates a list-like object. Equivalent to `decorate( ..., overwrite = TRUE)`.

**Usage**

```
redecorate(x, ..., overwrite = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	object
...	passed arguments
overwrite	passed to <a href="#">decorate</a>

**Value**

a list-like object, typically `data.frame`

**See Also**

Other `decorate`: [as\\_decorated.default\(\)](#), [as\\_decorated\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.list\(\)](#), [decorate\(\)](#), [decorations.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorations\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(dplyr)
library(magrittr)
library(csv)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(as.csv(file))
x %>% select(Subject) %>% decorations
x %<% redecorate('Subject: Patient Identifier')
x %>% select(Subject) %>% decorations
```

resolve.decorated      *Resolve Guide for Decorated*

## Description

Resolves implicit usage of default key 'guide' to explicit usage for decorated class. Simply calls [explicit\\_guide](#) followed by [classified](#).

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'decorated'
resolve(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	object
...	passed to <a href="#">explicit_guide</a> and <a href="#">classified</a>

## Value

decorated

## See Also

Other resolve: [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [desolve\(\)](#), [resolve\(\)](#)  
 Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#),  
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[mimic.default\(\)](#), [modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#),  
[write\\_yamlet\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(magrittr)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
x <- decorate(file)
x %>% resolve %>% decorations(Age, glyco)
x %>% resolve(glyco) %>% decorations(Age, glyco)
```

**write\_yamlet***Write Yamlet*

---

**Description**

Writes yamlet to file. Similar to [io\\_yamlet.yamlet](#) but returns invisible storage format instead of invisible storage location.

**Usage**

```
write_yamlet(
  x,
  con = stdout(),
  eol = "\n",
  useBytes = FALSE,
  default_keys = getOption("yamlet_default_keys", list("label", "guide")),
  fileEncoding = getOption("encoding"),
  block = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	something that can be coerced to class 'yamlet', like a yamlet object or a decorated data.frame
con	passed to <a href="#">writeLines</a>
eol	end-of-line; passed to <a href="#">writeLines</a> as sep
useBytes	passed to <a href="#">writeLines</a>
default_keys	character: default keys for the first n anonymous members of each element
fileEncoding	if con is character, passed to <a href="#">file</a> as encoding
block	whether to write block scalars
...	passed to <a href="#">as_yamlet</a> and to <a href="#">as.character.yamlet</a>

**Value**

invisible character representation of yamlet (storage syntax)

**See Also**

[decorate.list](#)

Other interface: [as.data.frame.yamlet\(\)](#), [canonical.decorated\(\)](#), [classified.data.frame\(\)](#), [decorate.character\(\)](#), [decorate.data.frame\(\)](#), [desolve.decorated\(\)](#), [ggplot.decorated\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.character\(\)](#), [io\\_csv.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_res.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.character\(\)](#), [io\\_table.data.frame\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.character\(\)](#), [io\\_yamlet.data.frame\(\)](#), [is\\_parseable.default\(\)](#), [mimic.default\(\)](#), [modify.default\(\)](#), [promote.list\(\)](#), [read\\_yamlet\(\)](#), [resolve.decorated\(\)](#), [selected.default\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
library(csv)
file <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.csv')
meta <- system.file(package = 'yamlet', 'extdata','quinidine.yaml')
x <- as.csv(file)
y <- read_yamlet(meta)
x <- decorate(x, meta = y)
identical(x, decorate(file))
tmp <- tempfile()
write_yamlet(x, tmp)
identical(read_yamlet(meta), read_yamlet(tmp))
```

yamlet

*yamlet: Versatile Curation of Table Metadata*

## Description

The **yamlet** package supports storage and retrieval of table metadata in yaml format. The most important function is **decorate.character**: it lets you 'decorate' your data by attaching attributes retrieved from a file in yaml format. Typically your data will be of class 'data.frame', but it could be anything that is essentially a named list.

## Storage Format

Storage format for 'yamlet' is a text file containing well-formed yaml. Technically, it is a map of sequences. Though well formed, it need not be complete: attributes or their names may be missing.

In the simplest case, the data specification consists of a list of column (item) names, followed by semicolons. Perhaps you only have one column:

mpg:

or maybe several:

mpg:

cyl:

disp:

If you know descriptive labels for your columns, provide them (skip a space after the colon).

mpg: fuel economy

cyl: number of cylinders

disp: displacement

If you know units, create a sequence with square brackets.

mpg: [ fuel economy, miles/gallon ]

cyl: number of cylinders

disp: [ displacement , in^3 ]

If you are going to give units, you probably should give a key first, since the first anonymous element is 'label' by default, and the second is 'guide'. (A guide can be units for numeric variables, factor levels/labels for categorical variables, or a format string for dates, times, and datetimes.) You could give just the units but you would have to be specific:

```
mpg: [units: miles/gallon]
```

You can over-ride default keys by providing them in your data:

```
mpg: [units: miles/gallon]
_keys: [label, units]
```

Notice that stored yamlet can be informationally defective while syntactically correct. If you don't know an item key at the time of data authoring, you can omit it:

```
race: [race, [white: 0, black: 1, 2, asian: 3]]
```

Or perhaps you know the key but not the value:

```
race: [race, [white: 0, black: 1, asian: 2, ?other]]
```

Notice that `race` is factor-like; the factor sequence is nested within the attribute sequence. Equivalently:

```
race: [label: race, guide: [white: 0, black: 1, asian: 2, ?other]]
```

If you have a codelist of length one, you should still enclose it in brackets:

```
sex: [Sex, [ M ]]
```

To get started using yamlet, see `?as_yamlet.character` and examples there. See also `?decorate` which adds yamlet values to corresponding items in your data. See also `?print.decorated` which uses label attributes, if present, as axis labels.

Note: the quinidine and phenobarb datasets in the examples are borrowed from **nlme** (`?Quinidine`, `?Phenobarb`), with some reorganization.

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